

Runway Safety Program Team

Regional Runway Safety Program Manager

Col. David Kurner (ret):

- Extensive background in Airport Safety
- FAA Airport Certification Safety Inspector
- Assigned to Pentagon work detail
- Served as the Special Assistant to the Associate Administrator for Airports.
- Served as FAA representative to Department of Transportation Crisis Management cadre.
- Airports representative to the FAA Y2K program.
- Graduate of San Diego State University.
- Airline Transport Pilot
- Retired US Marine Corps Colonel with extensive A-4 fighter/attack background.

Administrative Analyst

Linda Suyeoka-Garcia

- “Retired” English instructor specializing in adult education/university level
- M.A. – Linguistics
- Fourth-generation Japanese-American
- Hobbies – Dancing (salsa, “big band” swing); animals of all sorts

Airports Representative

William “Bill” J. Critchfield

- Managed and operated airports in Southern California and overseas for 32 years.
- Employed with FAA Division of Airports, Certification/Safety for 13 years.
- Working on Runway Incursions for last 9 years.
- Served USMC.
- BA Business Administration, with a minor in Civil Engineering.
- Executive member of American Association of Airport Executives.
- Private Pilot, ASEL

Air Traffic Representative

Susan Marmet

- U.S. Air Force 7 years, Airport Management, Runway Construction and Coordination

- With the FAA since 1986 as:
 - Controller Tower and Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON)
 - Facility and Hub Quality Assurance and Training Specialist
 - TRACON Support Specialist
 - Area Supervisor Tower and TRACON
- 4 years CAP as Training Officer, Deputy Commander and Squadron Commander.
- Student Pilot

Flight Standards Representative

Gary M. Suozzi

- Commercial Pilot with 17,000 flight hours.
- Rated in ASMEI, Instrument, Helicopter, and Hot Air Balloon.
- Certified Flight Instructor for all above.
- Airframe & Powerplant mechanic with IA authorization.
- Almost 40 years in aviation with world wide experience to include SAR, Fire fighting, Extensive Over water, Film/Production work.
- Worked numerous military programs to include A-10, F-16, F-18, and Space Shuttle ALT.
- 9 years with major airlines.
- U.S. Army veteran, Helicopter crew chief , UH-1

NATCA Representative

Elliot Brann

- U.S. Air Force Controller 6 years.
- Torrance Police Department 3 years.
- FAA Controller 16 years.
- Los Angeles Tower Union Representative 7 years.
- NATCA Safety Representative Los Angeles Tower.
- NATCA RIAT Representative Los Angeles Tower.
- Union Representative for SMA – Surface Movement Advisor and Future Tower Simulator.
- Union Representative for DSEM – Departure Sequence Tool and pFAS T – Passive Final Approach Tool.

Technical Analyst

Christopher “Chris” Diggon

- Over 24 years in U.S. Marine Corps with over 18 years in all areas of Air Traffic Control including Center and Terminal Approach Control and Control Tower.

- Over 10 years in supervisory roles spanning all functions of ATC
 - Managed training departments for ATC and multidiscipline employees.
 - Management roles in all classes of airspace with emphasis on Special Use Airspace.
 - Initiated Runway Safety Program for a Regional Marine Corps Command.